

To Spirit Lake Tribal Members,

On behalf of the Spirit Lake Tribal Members who signed the petition to recall Tribal Chairman Roger Yankton Sr. I am requesting the immediate termination of Larry Leventhal from his position as **OUR** tribal lawyer due to his extremely disparaging comments about our tribal judge who is also a respected Spirit Lake Tribal member, and Veteran.

On February 20<sup>th</sup> the Tribal Council (Roger Yankton, Duane Jackson, Joel Redfox, and Hopsy Dubois) along with two members of the Spirit Lake Law and Order Committee, (Noreen Cavanaugh and Vern Lambert) participated in a conference call with **OUR** tribal lawyer Larry Leventhal. During this conference call Spirit Lake lawyer Mr. Leventhal stated that the Associate Judge Ms. McDonald was:

*Off her rocker and also crazy for the judgment order she put in place a few days earlier.*

*Noreen Cavanaugh responded to Mr. Leventhal's remarks by saying, "well she is a McDonald." Vern Lambert then stated "she might be related to Peter MacDonald" (referring to the Navajo Nation Chairman who was convicted of corruption while in office). The members of the conference call got a good laugh about this.*

First, for a tribal lawyer to make disparaging remarks about our judge and tribal member is highly unprofessional and borders on violating the code of ethics lawyers have to follow.

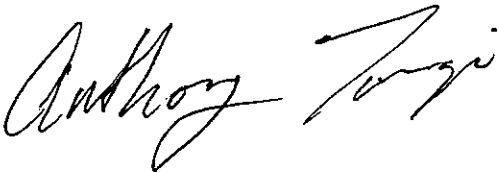
Second, for the Chairman and the other members of the council to sit by and allow a lawyer who is non-native to speak so disrespectfully about their tribal official is a total disregard of their

duty. At a minimum, Mr. Yankton as our Tribal Chairman who swore to uphold and protect the integrity of our tribe should have spoken up and kept the conversation professional.

Why is OUR tribal lawyer Larry Leventhal representing Roger Yankton Sr. anyway? This is a conflict of interest because Larry is paid by tribal funds belonging to all of us. Tribal members should not have to pay for Chairman Roger Yankton's counsel who is Larry Leventhal in this situation against member of the tribe for which he is also a lawyer.

Finally, due to these extremely disparaging remarks about our tribal judge and his unethical behavior, we want Mr. Leventhal terminated immediately! We also request that Larry Leventhal and Chairman Yankton issue a letter of apology to Ms. McDonald, the McDonald family and the Spirit Lake Nation for the unprofessional conduct exhibited during the conference call. We also request that Vern Lambert and Noreen Cavanaugh be removed from their position on the Law and Order Committee, for their total lack of respect for the Associate Tribal Judge and the Spirit Lake Justice System.

Thank You

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Anthony Longie". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Anthony Longie, Spirit Lake Tribal Member